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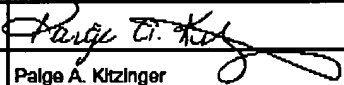
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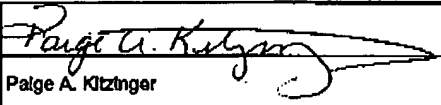
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AMENDMENT PRESENTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §1.312

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.312, Applicant kindly requests that the above-designated application be amended to amend FIGURE 7 as shown in the attached sheet of drawings.

Applicant previously amended FIGURE 7 in response to the Examiner's objection to Figure 7.

In the previous amendment to Figure 7, the reference character  $\phi T_n$  corresponding to the signal line 26 was changed to  $\phi R_n$  and the reference character  $\phi R_n$  corresponding to signal line 25 was changed to  $\phi T_n$ . The Examiner approved the previous amendment to Figure 7.

Applicant requests approval of further amendment to Figure 7 as provided in the attached sheet labeled "Replacement Sheet". In particular, Figure 7 has been further amended such that reference character  $\phi T_{n+1}$  has been changed to  $\phi R_{n+1}$  and reference character  $\phi R_{n+1}$  has been

changed to Tn+1. This amendment is made to conform the drawings to the description.

Applicant submits that no new matter has been included in the Amendment to Figure 7.

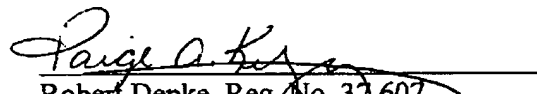
A replacement sheet has also been provided which includes Figure 18. The "Prior Art" legend of Figure 18 has now been typed. Applicant submits that no new matter has been included in the Amendment to Figure 18.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that these replacement drawings be accepted and entered into the file of the above-captioned application. It is also requested that these replacement drawings be included in the printed patent.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the undersigned attorneys at (312) 704-1890.

Respectfully submitted,

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